

# Newsletter

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Lawley**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL  
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Edition 4, Week 7, 15 March 2023

## Dates for the Diary

NAPLAN March 15, 16, 17 & 20	Junior Assembly (Hosted by Rm 10 & 13) Friday 17 March	P&C Meeting Monday 20 March
Senior Assembly (Hosted by Rm 1 & 2) Friday 24 March	Board Meeting Thursday 23 March	Year 4-6 Faction Swimming Carnival Monday 27 March

Dear Parents, Staff and Community Members,

Every time I sit down to write for the newsletter the first thing that jumps into my head is how busy it has been! Just when I think things are slowing down somewhat a curveball is thrown and it ends up being busier than ever, no different to the daily lives of our families, I am sure. I think we just need to recognise that school life is busy and take it in our stride.

Last Friday was amazing. The whole school gathered for the very successful World's Greatest Shave fundraising event. An enormous thank you to everyone who was involved. Recognition needs to be given to the eight brave students who either shaved or cut their hair, Eliza Bedford, Sophia Mahon, Harlow Koerting, Owen Eggleton, Will Earley, Matteo Caceres and Harry Harman. A special shout out to Nicola Brodie for organizing, motivating, and shaving her head, Luke Fogliani for shaving his head and beard after seven long years, Lesa Mileto for providing her excellent hairdressing tools and showing us all her fabulous hairdressing skills, Alison Hawkesford for her assistance, Alex Ridgway for her photography and all our staff who had crazy hair and encouraged the students. Days like these make us realise how special our community is, and how we can band together to make difference to the lives of others. We have made people aware of blood cancer and also raised a significant amount of money, \$15,888.60, to support people living with leukemia and the ongoing research for a cure.

2023 NAPLAN testing for our Year 3 and 5 students commenced today. It is important to remember NAPLAN is just one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process. It doesn't replace ongoing assessments made by teachers about student performance, but it can provide teachers with additional information about students' educational progress. The school uses the data to plan for individual, group and whole school improvements.

The strategies that you as parents and carers can use to support your child through the NAPLAN testing window also apply for every child on every school day to maximise their learning potential.

You can support your child by doing the following:

- Ensuring they have had adequate sleep
- Provide them with a nutritious breakfast before school and sufficient recess and lunch to keep them fuelled throughout the day
- Send them to school with a fresh bottle of water
- Have structured routines in place
- Celebrate their achievements when they get home, talk about the positives of the school day
- Use relaxation strategies like guided meditation and deep breathing if your child is worried or stressed

Following the beautiful weather we have seen an increase in the number of families staying for a play after school. Please remember the guidelines that are in place to keep everyone safe, the grounds in good order and to maintain an environment where the teachers can continue their work uninterrupted.

- Students must be under the direct supervision of an adult
- Students can access the playgrounds adjacent to Third Avenue only, no playing in the nature play areas
- School equipment is not to be played with
- The area needs to be left in the same condition as it was prior to students playing there
- Families need to leave the grounds by 3.45pm, there are some lovely parks nearby if families want to extend their time outdoors.

Remember we value your feedback and involvement with our school. I am available to meet with you, although an appointment time does ensure I can allocate sufficient time to have a meaningful conversation.

Kind regards and take care  
Sandra Martin

## World's Greatest Shave and Crazy Hair Day

There was a buzz in the air last Friday when 8 students and 2 staff members cut or shaved their hair for the Worlds Greatest Shave. Sophia, Eliza and Harlow bravely cut 20cm of their ponytail off and donated their hair to make wigs. Eilish, Harry, Will, Owen, Matteo, Mr Fogliani and Mrs Brodie courageously shaved their hair, where all hair clippings were sent to Sustainable salons to make ocean bombs, to help clean up the oceans.

The school community were also invited to come to school with crazy hair to celebrate the event and the assembly hall was awash with colour and wacky hairstyles!

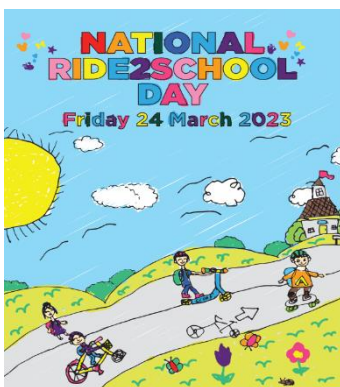
Thank you to everyone who donated and came to school with crazy hair. It was a huge effort by all, and the Mount Lawley Primary School Crazy Hair Team raised an incredible \$16,400 for the Leukemia Foundation!!!! This money will go to helping families living with blood cancer and to help vital research, hopefully finding a cure by 2035.

Thank you MLPS community you are amazing!

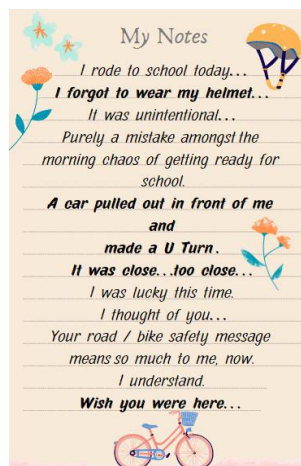


## Traffic Management Group

[Road Safety for Kids | Tips for Staying Safe | Western Australia \(sdera.wa.edu.au\)](#)



**Friday 24 March 2023**  
Stickers, PLUS prizes to be won!



**Year 1 MLPS Bike Sessions finished today! Students had so much fun!**  
Thank you to Your Move for the grant,  
People on Bikes for teaching year 1 students & parents/carers for remembering to bring your child's bike each Wednesday.  
**Children learnt bike safety, confidence, and life skills!**



Izzy the dinosaur made a special visit to MLPS Kindy children on Tuesday!  
Thank you to Alan Morton for wearing the suit 😊



## Izzy's Road Safety TIPS FOR KIDS

Share these tips with your kids to teach them how to be safer on the road and around traffic.

### 1 WEAR A HELMET

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Protect your head and wear your helmet when you ride your bike, scooter, skateboard, roller blades, rip sticks & hover boards. A loose helmet is just a hat! Ask an adult to check your helmet.

### 2 RIDE ON A FOOTPATH

Ride on the footpath away from traffic and ask an adult to be with you. It is the law to get off your bike when crossing at traffic lights or cross walks and it's a lot safer too!

### 3 BUCKLE UP

Always buckle up! Buckle up every trip every time.

### 4 EXIT SAFELY

Get in and out of the car using the safety door. This is the door closest to the kerb.

### 5 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

Before you cross the road STOP, LOOK, LISTEN, THINK, and hold an adult's hand.





## Scholastic Book Club

Issue 3 of Scholastic Book Club will be going home this week. The due date for orders online or in cash is Tuesday 21 March. Orders can be made online via LOOP ([www.scholastic.com.au/loop](http://www.scholastic.com.au/loop)) or cash by filling out the form on the back of the catalogue and placing correct money with order form in the book club box in the library.

The due date for this issue is short and orders will be made on Friday 17 March and Tuesday 21 March. This is to allow as much time as possible to arrive before the holidays.

Thank you for your support with Scholastic book club. Each order earns points to the school to redeem for resources that every student can enjoy.

## MLPS is a SunSmart School



Regular use of sunscreen has been shown to reduce the incidence of melanoma and squamous cell carcinoma.

Choose SPF30 (or higher) broad-spectrum, water resistant sunscreen. Monitor the expiry date and store it below 30 degrees.

It is best to apply a generous amount of sunscreen to any exposed skin around 20 minutes before going outdoors. Sunscreen should be reapplied every TWO hours even if the stated level of water resistance is 4 hours.

Always use sunscreen with other sun protection measures - clothing, a hat, shade and sunglasses. Don't just rely on sunscreen.

SUN PROTECTION and the UV INDEX										
Low		Moderate			High		Very High		Extreme	
UV INDEX 1	UV INDEX 2	UV INDEX 3	UV INDEX 4	UV INDEX 5	UV INDEX 6	UV INDEX 7	UV INDEX 8	UV INDEX 9	UV INDEX 10	UV INDEX 11+
SUN PROTECTION NOT REQUIRED		SUN PROTECTION REQUIRED								
Unless outdoors for extended periods, or near reflective surfaces such as snow or water.		Wear sun-protective clothing, a broad-brimmed hat and sunglasses. Apply SPF30+ sunscreen to any unprotected skin. Seek shade.								



## MLPS School Board Meeting Summary

**Acknowledgement of Country:** Sian began the meeting with an Acknowledgement of Country

**Minutes of the 24 November 2022 Meeting:** Approved

**Action Register:** Ongoing items, with additional items added this meeting

**Observers:** None

**Presenters:** None

**Board Chair Report:** SZ discussed Board training opportunity at Kyilla Primary School. Date to be advised. Highly recommended for all Board members, particularly members who have not completed formal Board training.

SZ discussed progress with Indigenous Polo shirt design and queries about whether uniform shop would be parent run in 2023. TK indicated that her understanding was that a parent had nominated to take over Uniform Shop in 2023.

**Finance Report:** Discussion regarding student to teacher ratio's, implications for funding and how school is managing carry forward funds from 2022 to support 2023 expenditure.

LM discussed variation in projected collection of Voluntary Fees as student enrolment increased in second semester

LM to discuss with Finance Committee if a parent representative should be sought out.

### Principal Report:

SM discussed progress with staff, significantly less absence this year. SM noted that COVID continues to impact the community. SM thanked leadership for seamless support of school during SM's long service leave. Discussion was sought about Department guidelines for class sizes and how school was managing class sizes.

### Code of Conduct and Register of members:

- SM provided summarised version of the Code of Conduct to Board.
- Discussion regarding frequency of meetings. Board felt two meetings per term allowed group to work effectively, and with depth, within meeting times.

### Statement of Expectation:

- SM reviewed Statement of Expectation.
- SZ and SM signed Statement of Expectation.

### Community member for 2023

- NC expressed that he would be happy to continue in this role and he would advise Board if this changed.

### Board member survey

- Board discussed that self review showed positive functioning.
- Discussion was how questions may be interpreted, as well as how to continue to enhance functioning:
  - a. All Board members participating in meetings
  - b. Diversity of the board, which the school requests when Parent positions arise
  - c. Continuing to align agenda items with Business Plan

### Annual Public Meeting

- Board agreed that parent attendance as observers is a continued goal
- Discussed pro and cons of dates and reason for possible attendance versus non attendance
- Meeting 1, Term 4 is proposed date for Annual Public Meeting

### New Board Member Appointed

Congratulations to our new board member, Catherine Pearce who will join us as a Parent Representative. We look forward to welcoming Catherine at our next board meeting, Thursday March 23.

## Uniform Shop

**Uniform Shop dates for Term 1:** Thursday 16, 30 March, 8.30-9.30am

Second hand uniform donations are always welcome. Please drop to the school office or directly to the uniform shop.

### Volunteers

The uniform shop is run entirely by parent volunteers, from ordering to deliveries to running the shop. If you would like to help out, meet new people and gain new skills, please contact Katie at [mlpsuniformshop@gmail.com](mailto:mlpsuniformshop@gmail.com)

## LAP Volunteers Needed

**Learning Assisted Program (LAP) 2023**

Thank you for considering our LAP Program in 2023

Please return to the LAP Coordination Team by completing this form by Friday 10th March - Week 6

**History of LAP**

LAP has been running in **Australia for over 36 years**. It started as a program that provided students who were struggling with reading, although not to the degree that they were readily identified as students that needed help - so they were left to struggle on, finding learning to be more and more difficult and falling further behind. There was no organised support at that stage. It started by **recruiting parents and other community members to become involved in supporting** these students, so they had a more **positive learning experience**.

LAP was created to **identify those students that required a little extra support**. As volunteers (parents/student community members) are **the essential element in making this program function** and be successful, the volunteers/tutors are giving a child **two x 30 minutes sessions or 1 x 1 hour session of one on one attention**. It can make a huge difference in the child's confidence and attitude to learning. The rapport that develops between the tutor and the student is primary to the programs effectiveness in **bringing about change**.

The **individual time spent** with a LAP child, making them feel important and having **positive learning experiences** enables the child to take these attitudes/knowledge/skills back to the classroom.

The program can be **as simple as reading a book to a child, having a chat about their weekend, playing educational board games, doing a jigsaw puzzle, completing educational computer games, assisting with sight words and sounds, working on basic maths operations with concrete materials or gaining confidence in writing**.

Follow the link below if you would like to sign up to be a LAP Volunteer

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=RaA4P3Ru0yDsLdutDYWJ2P0pLZ9xzHmHPzbxL4CUvpUM0NaNFJSOUU0MjdVRzNQOUFMTTgwNjA2NS4u>

## Triple P Seminar: Screentime – What's too much?

You're invited to attend a Triple P Workshop; Screentime – What's too Much? How Parents can prevent and manage technology at home.

The event will be held at Kyilla Library on Wednesday 29 March from 5-7pm.

Please follow the below link to register: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/screentime-whats-too-much-how-parents-can-prevent-manage-tech-at-home-tickets-552413462537>





**REDHAGE BASKETBALL**

**SCHOOL PROGRAM**

GIRLS AND BOYS OF ALL SKILL LEVEL ARE WELCOME

LOCATION:

DURATION:

DATE & TIME:

COST

REGISTRATION



All participants receive a FREE T-Shirt

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Registrations now open for Mods teams - Years 3 - 6

## JOIN THE ROOS IN 2023





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- AWESOME CULTURE
- GREAT COACHES
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- GIRLS AND BOYS TEAMS

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SEASON STARTS END OF APRIL  
PRE-SEASON STARTS MARCH





Sign up now for 2023

## GIRLS REGOS OPEN





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FRIDAY NIGHTS UNDER LIGHTS  
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QUERIES: EMAIL [GIRLS@ROOSJFC.ORG.AU](mailto:GIRLS@ROOSJFC.ORG.AU)

## Book A Trial Now And Receive a Free Assessment with our Head Coach

**FREE HAVE-A-GO DAY for Calisthenics**  
Our class for 6-8 year olds is having a FREE HAVE-A-GO DAY at Hainsworth Community Centre on Thursday March 23<sup>rd</sup> and we would LOVE to see some new faces. So grab the kids, bring some friends and come on down to give it a go.  
Classes run from 4:30-6:30pm, all you need is some activewear and a water bottle! All welcome!  
29 Hainsworth Avenue, Girrawheen Western Australia 6064





## SPECIALIST VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS (SVAPA) PROSPECTIVE PARENT EVENING



The session will outline the program's ethos, environment, structure and audition process.

This event is for parents/carers only.

**Monday 27th March 2023, 7pm - 8pm**

Tricycle Theatre  
Mount Lawley Senior High School  
65 Woodsome Street, Mount Lawley

Visit [www.lawley.wa.edu.au/view/programs/svapa-home](http://www.lawley.wa.edu.au/view/programs/svapa-home) to find out more about SVAPA program



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## HARLIES JUNIOR HOCKEY

### 2023 "HAVE A GO" REGISTRATION



Harlies Junior Hockey program provides a fun, safe environment for boys and girls to learn, develop and improve their hockey skills. Come down to Breckler Park, 70 Cornwell St Dianella and have a go at hockey / registration:

**Wednesday 22 March 2023 5 - 6 pm.**

If you can't make it at this time, either email our junior coordinator [eo\\_juniors@harlies.org.au](mailto:eo_juniors@harlies.org.au) to express your interest or you can register at [www.harlies.org.au/registration](http://www.harlies.org.au/registration)

We have among the cheapest hockey fees in Perth. 2023 fees are:

- Juniors (play in competitive leagues) \$110 + (\$42.50 HA fees)
- Sub-juniors (generally 8 and below) \$70

Previous hockey experience is not necessary.

### Register Your Interest

Email [eo\\_juniors@harlies.org.au](mailto:eo_juniors@harlies.org.au) or [subjuniors@harlies.org.au](mailto:subjuniors@harlies.org.au)

[www.harlies.org.au](http://www.harlies.org.au)

### Training

Wednesdays during hockey season

5-6 pm

### Games

*Sub-juniors*  
Super Saturdays – small friendly games with other clubs (one Saturday morning / month Terms 2 & 3)

*Junior Teams*  
Saturday mornings



HARLIES HOCKEY CLUB  
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## INTERESTED IN PLAYING BASKETBALL?

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### SEASON COMMENCES TERM 2

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Contact us at [maylandsbasketball@gmail.com](mailto:maylandsbasketball@gmail.com)